

(Warren, OH) – Today, Congressman Tim Ryan (OH-17) commented on the efforts of the Ohio Credit Union League in pledging over \$150 million in affordable student lending that will supplement federal financing programs for college.

“It is no secret that the cornerstone of a robust and diverse economy is a highly-trained and adaptable workforce,” stated Congressman Ryan, **“which is why making a quality, affordable post-secondary education accessible to the general public has been a priority of mine since I took office.□ We cannot allow the rising costs of college to paint our residents into a corner – the expansion of federal programs including Pell Grants and Perkins Loans are critical to the future of our regional economy as we transition from the Rust Belt to the Tech Belt.□ I applaud the Ohio Credit Union League for proposing innovative programs that will make post-secondary education more affordable for today’s students and tomorrow’s leaders.”**

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